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Two-vehicle crash on Kaumuali'i Highway causes fatality

KOLOA – A crash involving two vehicles on Kaumuali'i Highway near the Maluhia Road junction on Friday afternoon resulted in a fatality.

According to a preliminary report, at approximately 12:48 p.m., a 2015 white Nissan pickup truck, operated by a 48-year-old Kapa'a woman, was heading eastbound along Kaumuali'i Highway. The truck crossed the centerline and struck a 2000 silver Porsche 2DCV, operated by a 60-year-old Līhu'e man, who was traveling in the westbound lane.

The driver of the Porsche sustained fatal injuries.

The driver of the truck sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was transported to Wilcox Memorial Hospital where she was treated and released.

Kaumuali'i Highway was closed in both directions for approximately one hour before one lane was reopened. Traffic was redirected around the scene while an investigation was conducted. The highway reopened at about 5:15 p.m.

The name of the driver of the Porsche has not yet been released due to pending notification of next of kin.

Kaua'i police are asking anyone who might have been a witness to the incident to please contact Officer Shawn Hanna at 241-1615.

This is Kaua'i's third traffic fatality of 2020.

